

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Image 9

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Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 10 September 2013

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 10 September 2013

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image is a sexually explicit computer-generated animation frame from a website promoting incest images. It depicts a boy and his adult mother engaging in sexual conduct in a bedroom setting. The image is intended to be arousing for persons with a sexual interest in children and young persons and the sexual exploitation of children and young persons by family members. It validates that interest by representing children as sexually available for adult gratification.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s 3(2)(a) are deemed to be objectionable. This is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of "a free and democratic society" to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children and young persons for sexual purposes.